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Red Cross Reminder. Contributed to the Citizen

Cross of Red

Come fire, famine, pestilence
Or war's quick desolation
Alert to soothe the wounds of strife
Succor the starving nation

The outstretched arms encompass all
Victims of war's disaster
Nor makes distinction in their plight
Twixt friend or slave or master.

Oh radiant cross, symbolic, red,
How far your glory shines
To light the way for tortured men
Through bloody battle lines.

Ours be the task to keep the flame,
Ours be the obligation;
Give that the light may stronger burn
Keep us from war's privation.

Give that the task accomplished be,
Give that the load be lighter,
Give that our hope and faith may grow
Ever and ever brighter.

EDMUND SMITH NAMED OUTSTANDING FARMER AT FARM-HOME WEEK

President Arthur A. Hauck of the University of Maine presented certificates honoring two outstanding farmers and two outstanding homemakers at a ceremony held in connection with the annual meeting of the Maine Farm Bureau Federation at Farm and Home Week at Orono Tuesday evening.

Those honored were: Edmund C. Smith, Bethel; Mrs. Jennie V. Heald, Buckfield; Fred S. Doyle, Caribou; and Mrs. Alice J. Bowie, Lisbon.

Arthur L. Deering, director of the Extension Service and dean of the College of Agriculture, spoke on "Recognizing Our Rural Leaders." Other speakers were Governor Sumner Sewall and Dr. Syud the World Thinkers of the United Hossain, who subject was "What States."

President Hauck, in presenting the certificate to Mr. Smith, said:

"You have changed the old saying so often heard: 'Country boy goes to the city and makes good,' to one heard much less frequently: 'City boy comes to the country and makes good.' A resident of New York City and a student at Columbia University, you came as a young man to the small country town of Mason in Oxford County and have proven that opportunities exist wherever men are keen enough to find them.

"You built up an excellent herd of Guernseys, but several years ago turned to beef cattle and now have one of the best herds of Herefords in your vicinity.

"Besides growing forage and much of the grain for your herd of 45 animals, you also raise 25 to 30 acres of potatoes and garden truck each year. Your excellent young orchard of McIntosh and Cortland apple trees is just coming into bearing, and you are one of the leaders in woodlot improvement in your area.

"You have held many positions of trust in town, county, and state affairs. You were first selectman in the town of Mason from 1914 until 1935, when the town surrendered its organization after the Federal Government had bought most of the taxable woodland as an addition to the White Mountain National Park.

"You are a member of the Lions Club and have served as Master of your Grange and Master of your Masonic lodge. You have been chairman of the Oxford County Agricultural Conservation Committee and chairman of the Oxford County U. S. D. A. War Board. You have been county forestry project leader and president of the Oxford County Farm Bureau and are now president of the Maine Farm Bureau Federation."

GEORGE K. HASTINGS

George Kimball Hastings of East Bethel committed suicide by shooting Tuesday at his home. He had been in poor health for some time and had been despondent since the death by drowning of his son William last October.

Mr. Hastings was born in East Bethel June 23, 1863, the son of John Deatur and Emma Kimball Hastings. He married Mary Field who passed away several years ago.

He had been a farmer all his life, and was a member of Alder River Grange.

He is survived by a son Robert with whom he made his home; seven grandchildren; several cousins, and a niece and nephew.

Funeral services were held at the home this Thursday afternoon. Rev. John Foster officiated.

Cpl. and Mrs. Clayton Bancroft of Nahant, Mass., spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lyon Mrs. Bancroft remained for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Leroy Brown and Mrs. James Brown were at New London, Conn., over the week end to visit James Brown Sr. who is recuperating there.



EDMUND C. SMITH

ELEANOR GORDON GUILD GIVES MINSTREL SHOW

The Eleanor Gordon Guild met Tuesday evening at the Methodist Church with about 50 present. A pot luck supper preceded the meeting.

After supper all joined in group singing while the Girls' Club made preparations for the minstrel show which was a success.

The cast follows: Interlocutor, Muriel Brooks; Rufus, Beatrice Brown; Patsy, Herbertina Brooks; Rastus, Barbara Luxton; Snowball, Eleanor Bean; Chorus, Julia Brown, Mary Billings, Abbie Gill, Josephine Parker, Elizabeth Bane and Eugenia Haselton.

The chorus costumes were in patriotic colors.

After the minstrel show a short business meeting was held. It was voted to take as a project to buy a new living room rug for the Parsonage. Beatrice Brown and Mrs. Gordon were on this committee.

Plans were discussed for a play to be put on later in the season. Calendar plates were passed to each member to be kept during the year. Eleanor Bean invited the Guild to meet with her next time, when a box supper will be served.



S. L. Homer Smith Jr. returned to duty Wednesday morning after spending embarkation leave with his parents.

Pfc. Edward Wheeler of Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla., is at home on furlough.

Ensign Maynard Austin has returned to Camp Peary, Va.

Edward C. Bean TM 3c left today after spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Helena Bean.

He has been stationed in the New Georgia Islands and other places in the Southwest Pacific, and will next attend school at San Diego.

Pfc. Warren M. Powers has been transferred from Salt Lake City to a field in Kansas as a mechanic on B-24 planes.

Mervin L. Powers has passed all tests for the Army and expects to leave soon.

Pvt. Bernard L. Powers of Clovis, N. M., is enjoying a vacation at his home in Newry.

Sgt. Arthur Gibbs has been transferred from Venice, Fla., to this address 534th Service Sq., 77th Service Group, Robins Field, Warner Robins, Ga.

Word has been received that Raymond Bartlett FO 1c has arrived in New Guinea.

O. C. Edward Robertson, 1st Lt. with scarlet fever at Fort Belvoir, Va., Pvt. Stanley Layman has been transferred from Camp Rucker, Ala., to Atlanta, Ga.

Pvt. Donald Brown of Bryant Pond spent a week's furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Brown and returned to Bryant Pond.

James Byer of a company in 2d day furlough at the home of his mother, Mrs. H. E. Merrill, at East Bethel. He has been some time in Texas since he returned from the South Pacific.

Warren Bean BM 1c spent the week end at home from the naval base at Staten Island, N. Y.

Raymond Stander PO 1c was at home from Rhode Island for the week end.

Pvt. Chester Hazen from Colorado is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hazen, West Paris.

Cpl. Tech. Warren Smith of Camp Edwards, Mass., was at home during the week end.

Sgt. Lester Murn Jr. of Buckfield, Me., came home over the week end.

Kenneth Sanderson, USMC, has been promoted from Private First Class to Corporal. He is at home.

Bethel to Change Meeting Hours; Raise Pay; Extend Street; Discontinue School

With perfect March weather and contests on the ballot, 119 of Bethel's 1300 voters registered their choice of two officers last Monday. The business session in the afternoon attracted only about 80 when matters of some importance were discussed and money was raised to carry the town through 1944.

New Officers

New officers elected were Rodney Howe of East Bethel as selectman and Elmer Bennett of Mayville on the school committee. Mr. Howe succeeds his father, whose death occurred last fall while serving his seventeenth year on the board. His grandfather, the late Fred B. Howe, served as a selectman from 1915 to 1925 and before that time was tax collector several years. Mr. Bennett succeeds F. E. Russell as school committee member. Mr. Russell has served in this position since 1935 and was superintendent of this school union 1920-1930.

The officers elected are: Moderator—Fred B. Merrill; Clerk—Alice J. Brooks; Selectmen—Ernest F. Bisbee, Carroll E. Abbott, Rodney K. Howe; Treasurer—John M. Harrington; School Committee three years—Elmer E. Bennett.

Tax Collector—Walter E. Bartlett; Road Commissioner—Euberto P. Brown.

More Pay

Business was handled without delay at the afternoon meeting, although all who wished evidently expressed opinions, and in general followed the conclusions of the budget committee. The rates of pay for the collector were fixed at 1¢ and 15 cents apiece for excise tax receipts, and the selectmen will receive \$5.00 a day both the same as last year. The road commissioner will receive \$6.00 a day this year, a dollar more than before. The treasurer gets a 50¢ boost to \$300 a year. The town's share of the school superintendent's salary is upped to \$741.65 from \$600.00.

The voters followed the budget committee's advice in passing over the matter of raising money for school lunches and advertising the town's good features. The lunch money appropriation was proposed in order to reduce in part some of the continual soliciting, especially in the village, for various projects.

Discontinue School

It was decided to discontinue the Northwest Bethel School. During this school year pupils have been conveyed from there to Bethel, and the vote authorized a continued closing of the school. Superintendent Carrie Wight and Mr. Russell spoke.

The increase in pay for road commissioner moved Eugene Van to suggest a like increase for the selectmen, assuming that the head of an enterprise should have a reward equal at least to any other official. However, Mr. Bisbee stated that members of the board were not asking for an increase, and no action was taken. The amount allowed for town officers bills was however raised \$200 to \$4,000, hoping to allow for increases granted the road commissioner and treasurer.

Change in Annual Meetings

After a discussion in which Messrs. Bisbee, John Irvine, Fritz Tyler, Robert Hastings and Fred Edwards, Mrs. Irvine and Mrs. Russell took part, it was decided to open the annual business meeting of the town at 9 a. m. to be followed by the balloting. This is done in an attempt to attract larger attendance. Since adoption of the Australian ballot a few years ago, interest has dropped.

To Build Street

Fritz Tyler spoke in favor of extending Tyler Street to the Village Street and was supported by Ralph Berry, who lives on Tyler Street. The movement was opposed by Charles Bryant, owner of the former Spearman property through which the street will pass. The voters chose to accept the street as laid out by the selectmen, raise \$250 for land damages and \$250 for construction.

Budget Committee

In naming the budget committee the meeting elected the budget committee of three officers, administrative and financial, to consider the welfare of the town and of those persons in need of financial assistance.

Members of the committee are P. Bean, E. J. Berry, E. E. Bennett, H. E. Merrill, F. E. Russell, and J. M. Harrington.

Chadbourne, F. L. Edwards, Adrian Grover, Elmer Allen, Elmer Trask. A record for serving on this seems to be held by Mr. Bean who has been appointed each year since the first committee was named in 1917.

Appropriations

Common Schools	\$12,500.00
Secondary Schools	9,000.00
Textbooks	400.00
School Supplies	724.00
Repairs on schoolhouses	300.00
Insurance on schoolhouses	200.00
School Physician	100.00
School Superintendent	741.65
Public Health Nursing	100.00
Roads and bridges	3,000.00
Winter Roads	3,000.00
Bituminous road surfacing	700.00
Maint. State Highway	1,130.00
Maint. 3d Class Highway	925.00
Tyler St. land damage	151.00
Tyler St. construction	250.00
Maintenance of Sewers	250.00
Support of Poor	3,000.00
Town Officers' bills	4,000.00
Abatement	172.84
Memorial Day observance	50.00
Bethel Band	200.00
Treasurer's bond	35.00
Collector's bond	20.00
Fire expense	500.00
Care of Old Cemeteries	75.00
Miscellaneous Account	1,900.00
Bethel Library	400.00
Interest	300.00
Liability Insurance	150.00
Total appropriations	\$44,274.23

GOULD INTERCLASS GAMES UNDER WAY

This week the Boys' Interclass games are being played at Gould Academy. The Juniors defeated the Seniors and the Sophomores took the Freshmen on Monday. Games will be played on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and Friday night there will be a double-header at the Field House. This double-header will consist of the Girls' Championship game at 7:15 and at 8:15 the Junior-Sophomore boys will tangle in what looks to be the real battle of the Tourney Series. This Tourney excludes all lettermen from the Varsity squad but these boys help do the officiating, scoring, timing, etc. Townspeople are cordially invited to attend this boys and girls double-header Friday at 7:15.

RATION TIMETABLE

Meats and Fats: Ration token plan now in effect. Red stamps A3, B8, and C8 in Book Four, worth 10 points each, good through May 20. Red tokens worth one point each, used as change. Brown stamps Y and Z in Book Three retaining values printed on face, remain good through Mar. 20. Red stamps D8, E8, F8, become good Mar. 12.

Processed Foods: Blue stamps A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8 in Book Four, worth 10 points each, good through May 20. Blue tokens, worth one point each, used as change. Green stamps K, L and M retaining values printed on face, remain good through Mar. 20.

Sugar: "Sugar" stamp No. 30 in Book Four good for five pounds through Mar. 31. Stamp No. 4) good for five pounds for home canning through Feb. 28, 1945.

Shoes: Airplane Stamp No. 1 in Book Three and also Stamp No. 18 in Book One, each good indefinitely for one year.

Fuel Oil: Period Three common good to Mar. 15. Period Four common good to Sept. 30.

Gasoline: No. 9 Stamps in Book Four good for three gallons through May 8. B1 and C1 stamps good for two gallons. B2 and C2 stamps good for five gallons.

Tax: Inspection. Inspection deadlines for A cars Mar. 31, B cars June 30 for C cars May 31.

Warren Bean PO 1c of Staten Island, N. Y., was at home over the week end.

Political Advertisement

Fernald for Governor

LET UNCLE SAM'S SUIT ALONE!



WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Russ Announce Finnish Peace Terms; Jap Defense Posts Crumble in Pacific; Allied Bombers Hit Fortress Europe, Blast Nazi War Plants, Installations

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysts and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Russia—German troops are shown moving back from eastern front in thick, Russian mud. (See: Russia.)

EUROPE:

Pound Plane Plants

Thousands of Allied bombers roused over Hitler's vaunted Fortress Europe striking at Nazi war industries and defense installations while U. S. and British troops slugged it out with the Germans below Rome.

In an effort to cripple Nazi resistance to second-front operations and hampering of European industry, the Allies' big heavy bombers continued to pound at German fighter-plane factories, while squadrons of lighter bombers darted over the English channel to pester at the enemy's network of defense works in southern France.

At the Anzio beachhead still Rome, Allied troops traded stiff blows with German armored forces punching at the northern and western edges of the U. S. and British positions, while both sides brought up reinforcements for the mountain fighting around Cassino.

SOLDIER VOTE:

Consider Compromise

Congressional wrangling over the soldier vote resulted in the offer of a compromise proposal under which men and women in the service could use the blank federal ballot with only the name of the party designated if the governor of their state certifies its use.

Before any service personnel could use the federal ballot, however, they must swear that they tried to obtain an absentee ballot from their state by October 1.

Proposed by Representatives LeCompte (Iowa) and Bonner (N. C.), the compromise sought to reconcile those who insist on the states' rights to supervise election laws and others who declare that because of difficult battle conditions a simple ballot should be provided.

RUSSIA:

Finnish Terms

As it was reported that the Finns were prepared to move as many as 1,500,000 people to Sweden, it peace negotiations with Russia fall, Moscow publicly announced its terms to Finland.

Terms included: 1. Internment of German troops and ships in Finland; 2. Restoration of boundaries of the 1940 peace; 3. Return of Allied prisoners; 4. Discussion of partial demobilization of Finnish army; 5. Discussion of Finnish reparations for war damages; and 6. Discussion of control over northern Finnish territory.

As Russo-Finnish peace talks stepped in tempo, the Red army continued its drive westward toward the Baltic states of Estonia and Latvia.

U. S. Aid

With its great industrial centers of Stalingrad, Kharkov, and Gorky, etc., laid in rubble and its vast agricultural belts overrun, Russia's dependence upon the U. S. for continuing effective resistance against Germany was glimpsed in figures released on American aid to the Reds.

Since 1941, lend lease assistance to Russia included: 7,500 planes; 4,700 tanks and tank destroyers; 170,000 trucks; 33,000 jeeps; 25,000 other vehicles; and 177,000 tons of explosives.

Other assistance: 2,250,000 tons of food; 6,000,000 pairs of boots; 9,000 tons of seeds; 1,350,000 tons of steel; 341,000 tons of aluminum and other metal; 742,000 tons of oil and gas; 145,000 tons of refinery equipment; and tire-making machinery with 1,000,000 ton capacity.

DRAFT:

Review Deferments

Because inductions are falling behind schedule and impending offensives require a maximum of men, President Roosevelt called upon the national selective service system to review 5,000,000 agricultural and industrial deferments in its files, with special attention focused on 550,000 childless men under 28 on farms and 380,000 such men in defense plants.

After the President's call upon selective service for a review of deferments, a special medical commission appointed by congressional action reported that the services could not lower physical standards to draw on 4-F's without impairing their combat efficiency, and reexamination of 3,357,000 present 4-F's would make no more than 250,000 available for induction.

Answering the commission's report that selective service would have to turn to family men or other available sources to meet induction quotas, Chairman Andrew J. May of the house military affairs committee said the army "should lower its physical requirements . . . and quit rejecting men because of illiteracy."

PACIFIC:

Sever Jap Link

Slowly but surely the Japs' defensive outpost position in the Pacific is crumbling, with U. S. naval and air forces softening enemy island forts under terrific bombardment and ground troops moving in to take over.

Latest move was Gen. Douglas MacArthur's invasion of the Admiralty Islands, lying to the northeast of New Britain and the Solomons and described as important Jap stations on their supply route to 100,000 of their embattled troops in these areas, already ringed in from the east, south and west by U. S., Aussie and New Zealand forces.

Reviewing the steady U. S. march westward toward the main Jap bastions, Admiral William Halsey said: "We bomb and strafe their strongholds at will . . . Our surface ships roam through their territory, bombarding and sinking their ships without reprisal . . . We can and are licking them because we are more civilized, have more guts, better soldiers and better equipment . . ."

SOUTH AMERICA:

Trouble Breeding

Even as political boys Col. Juan Peron was being sworn in as Argentina's minister of war by President Edelmiro J. Farrell, a Socialist deputy told the Uruguayan parliament that certain elements presently within Argentina and Brazil were intensifying alarming preparations for a clash . . .

Ultra-nationalist Peron's military party affirmed its intention of promoting relations with all friendly powers, after it had ousted ex-President Pedro Ramirez from office following indications that it might declare war on the Axis.

Pleading for hemispheric unity, the Uruguayan deputy declared: "Without any justification, an atmosphere of war between sister nations is being prepared which may be the origin of an American catastrophe . . ."

MORE MEAT:

Ease Rationing

With production of meat at federally inspected plants reported at 1,665,000,000 pounds for February and with storage plants bulging with meat stocks, civilians' share of the huge supply was increased by OPA's reduction of point values for pork and beef.

Because of the valuation of all stamps at ten points and the use of ration tokens, OPA figured that housewives will be able to buy about 8 per cent more meat in March and April.

As OPA announced the point cuts, the nation's stockyards reported the second lowest cattle receipts since last July, with predictions that the smaller volume will be felt in consumer channels in coming months. Hog receipts went into their usual seasonal decline.

FARM WAGES:

Face Stabilization

Because of heavy bidding for available agricultural labor, farm wages may be frozen in many states during 1944, especially for truck gardening, W. T. Ham of the War Food Administration's wage stabilization division declared.

Although wage ceilings only were established in California and Florida during 1943 when citrus and asparagus growers competed frantically for pickers, piece work wages paid in other areas tended to draw employees from canneries to the field.

"This year labor will be scarcer and wages will tend to rise on the farm," Ham said. "Growers will be eager to prevent the wages rising beyond reason, and it will be important to keep the farms from robbing the canneries of their help and also from pirating one another's employees. I think wage limitations will be imposed in many states."

CIO:

Red, Lewis Says

Organizer and chief of the CIO before pulling out of it because of differences over political policies, United Mine Worker Boss John L. Lewis declared communists were in control of the CIO's membership.

Said Lewis, whose UMW recently applied for readmittance into the AFL after being expelled: "When I was organizing the CIO we picked up a lot of communists . . . as we grew . . . But I had not . . . left."



Hillman, Lewis and Murray in happier days.

The CIO in 1940 . . . the communists would have been weeded out . . . long before now. Instead . . . Philip Murray (CIO chairman) is today the prisoner of the communists . . . through their seats on his executive committee . . . Sidney Hillman (head of the CIO political action committee) is just as badly off . . ."

Answering big John L.'s charges Murray retorted that he was "neither a prisoner of Lewisism nor communism."

BURMA:

Break Trap

Trapped for three weeks by Japanese units attacking from all sides, the fifth and seventh Indian divisions finally were relieved by Allied counterattacks as heavy fighting continued in Burma.

Southeast Asia Command's thrust through the dense mountainous jungle along the eastern Burmese border, gains were recorded in the north, where Chinese troops under command of U. S. Gen. Joseph Stilwell fought to open a supply road to Chungking.

By relieving the Indian divisions, the Allies held their footing along the Ngazun-Kada pass, gateway to southern Burma from India.

U. S. JAPS:

Demand Rights

Restoration of their rights as citizens and equal opportunity for service and advancement in the military forces were demanded by Jap-Americans of the Granada, Colo., internment camp.

Asking that they be accorded their constitutional privileges, the Jap-Americans demanded that they be allowed to travel and live wherever they choose, with any resettlement policy including adequate government protection and financial aid.

The government also was asked to help distinguish the difference between loyal Jap-Americans and the people of the Japanese empire.

TRUCKS

By April or May production of trucks for commercial use should be in high gear, a survey of Detroit companies reveals. More than 2,000 units for commercial use were made in January, and it is estimated that 3,000 were turned out in February.

One big manufacturer stated that he had to produce 12,000 units for a lead lease contract. Another plant located in Cleveland reported that it built 243 trucks in February for military use and that this would be increased to 600 by May.

Washington Digest

Allied Command Aided By French Underground

Quarter of Million Men in France Said to Be Ready, Anxious and Able to Bear Arms Against Germans.

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

"Arms are what we want, arms, arms, arms!"

My companion leaned across the table and pounded it with Gallic fervor, his black eyes flashing. It was our first meeting for more than a year, and I knew that those eyes fixed on me so earnestly had met the light of the desert sun, for he had fought with the Free French Forces under De Gaulle in Africa and had had many an adventure serving his country abroad before he returned for this visit to his temporary home.

"We have a quarter of a million men in the French underground, ready, willing, able and anxious to bear arms—only one out of 20 of those has a single firearm, and that means that while 12 men can harass the German forces, as they are doing every day and every night, despite their inadequate help from the outside, 228 others must sit, twiddling their thumbs. They are getting very tired of waiting but their enmity would leave them if firearms could be put in their hands. If America will provide them, we will guarantee to get them into France, we will guarantee to transport them and distribute them."

It is very difficult to write of that shadowy world, the European underground, for even the few scraps of information which one might piece together make a dangerous place where might bring swift enemy reprisal.

There is no question about the efficiency and the effectiveness of this silent army in France. In all this occupied country for that matter, there is no question about the fact that through it flows a steady stream of information out of the heart of the enemy territory right back to the Allied high commands.

Today two-thirds of the Creusot factories, once the makers of the famous French 75, long a vital source of the German arms supply, have been put out of commission by a group of loyal Frenchmen, according to a story that is now current in Washington.

Few Involved

They did it at very little expense, few men were involved, and not a single civilian life was lost. They did it by blowing up a key dam and thus cutting off the electric power from the plant. At least three expensive Allied air raids, long and carefully planned, had failed to destroy this dam.

Not long ago, word came to another group of the French guerrillas that a German munition train was about to move over a certain stretch of track. The bolts were removed and the rails spread. Then came the word that ahead of the munition train was a passenger train. Immediately men were sent out to flag the passenger train and order it to slow down while other men worked feverishly to put back the bolts. The passenger train went on safely. Once more, the bolts were withdrawn and before long, the munition train was a wrecked and smoking mass. No French civilian had been injured.

Less dramatic is the thankless and difficult task which the French National Committee of Liberation has before it, attempting to work out with the provisional assembly, the machinery for administering the areas of France as they are liberated by the Allied armies. The committee must labor in an atmosphere of deliberation and enforced delay which the mood of the underground finds it hard to grasp.

The members of the French National Committee of Liberation, with headquarters in Algiers, have gradually achieved more and more authority under the Allies. There have been many obstacles to overcome and the French, of course, feel that they have not been given the free hand which they desired and deserved. However, within recent weeks, it has been evident that the Allies are changing their ultra-conservative policy and it is now taken for granted that representatives of this committee, and later the provisional assembly, which meets in Africa, and which is made up of persons representing various groups in France, will be given the responsibilities of administering the re-

occupied French territory as it is liberated, piece by piece; also of creating the machinery for the final plebiscite which will decide the permanent government.

Great Difficulties

The committee itself works under great difficulties. Many of the members are utterly inexperienced in politics and they have responsibilities much greater than a normal governmental body would have. They must serve as an administrative agency, they must serve as a quasi-legislative body, and they must likewise plan regulations governing procedure in the interim between liberation of France and the time when a free election is held.

The recent meeting of the assembly (February 29) began the long and complicated consideration of the plans for the provisional government. One typical plan suggested can now be described in some detail although, of course, it is likely to be modified as a result of the discussion in the coming weeks and months, and in its application thereafter.

It covers, roughly, two phases.

First, is partial liberation. Just as soon as the Allies have taken over a portion of France and the military organization moves forward, the French committee would be placed in charge under this plan. Immediately municipal officers would be selected, councils for each municipality. When an entire province has been taken over, each municipal council already functioning would select delegates to the assembly now existing in Algiers. There are, at present, about 110 members of this assembly, comprised of Frenchmen who have been selected by the underground organizations, by political organizations and by labor and other groups, and have been smuggled into Africa. They would be joined, or perhaps substituted by, the newly elected delegates chosen by the municipal groups of each province. There would be approximately one for each 100,000 inhabitants.

Finally, the day comes when Allied troops march down the Champs Elysees and across the Seine to the Place du Palais Bourbon. Then the chamber of deputies of the Third Republic, will open its doors to the new assembly. By this time, it will probably represent at least two-thirds of France.

Second Step

Now the second step of the plan, now considered, will be taken. Depending on the populations reached, some 400 members.

Then the provisional government (I use the word "government" in the European sense; we would call it the "cabinet" with an executive head) would be chosen by the assembly. The national committee would cease to be the executive body but would assist the assembly, under this chosen government, to work out the plan for the general election which would decide upon the form of government which France would have.

However, this election could not be held at once for the thousands upon thousands of Frenchmen taken from their homes for forced labor in Germany and elsewhere would have to be repatriated first.

Every attempt is now being made to carry out the preliminary plans for procedures in the spirit, if not exactly in accordance with the letter of the French constitution and law. There are, however, many practical difficulties which arise. Take the question of woman suffrage. Under the French constitution, women are not permitted to vote. However, at present, with most of the men away in the army or as deportees in Germany, the women make up the majority of the population. Therefore, it would be desirable for them to cast the ballot in order to get a true representative opinion of any locality.

Meanwhile, the cry of the loyal Frenchman, in and out of his country, is for arms and ammunition, dynamite and the other tools of sabotage and demolition with which they believe they can vitally disrupt communications and assist the invasion.

Who's News This Week

Delos Wheeler Lovelace

Consolidated Features—WNU Release.

NEW YORK.—In November, 1917, when the United States had been in World War I for seven months, the navy sent to the Brooklyn yard an Annapolis Sea in This War; graduate 11 An Admiral Now years out of the academy and just turned 30. He'd had a post-graduate course in electrical engineering and he'd helped build the battleship Pennsylvania before going to sea in 1917. The powers that be figured that he'd make a top-notch electrical superintendent. The only person displeased about the whole thing was Raymond Amos Spruance himself. In fact, the only thing that delighted him was that he managed to wangle a couple of months afloat in 1918.

This time it has turned out the way he likes it, and President Roosevelt recommends that this same officer, now 57 and a vice admiral, be promoted to admiral for his success as commander of the mighty assault force that just trounced the Japs in the Marshall Islands. The admiral's a man who shuns the limelight, but talk to navy men and they'll tell you he's tops as a tactician. He plans his moves meticulously, and carries them out with skill and daring. He and Vice Admiral Fletcher drove the Japs back at Midway in 1942, and Spruance himself had charge of the conquest of the Gilberts.

He packs a tremendous amount of energy in his medium build, and he drives himself and the men with him hard when the heat is on. His rugged face had been weathered by many a salt breeze. His blue, flinty eyes are those of a born commander. The Spruances are a family of four. His wife and daughter live out on the Pacific coast and his son, true to the navy tradition, is an officer on a submarine.

QUITE likely Mrs. George C. Marshall is doing a little extra listening these days. The thoughtful chief of staff of the Army of the United States talks.

General Has Silent Audience in Mrs. G. C. Marshall

It is to be noted that the general talks his problems to, and not with, Mrs. Marshall. Unlike some Washington wives who tend to be no expert knowledge in her husband's field, even the edges of it, her role is that of an audience while the sometimes harassed general thinks out loud. For this role she is a shikari. She used to be a Shakespearean actress and early learned to show a lively, but silent interest while Mansfield and other-while off the long, magnificent speeches of the Marshalls.

For both the Marshalls this is their second marriage. He met her on a boat when she was a Baltimore lawyer's widow, met her again on land, decided he had done enough reconnaissance and found she felt the same way. A slim wife, hardly up to her husband's shoulder, with medium gray hair, she is finely proportioned for the roles of Fortia, Juliet and Rosalind. These were among her favorites. Ophelia was one of her favorites, too, but that can hardly be of any present help.

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GEN. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commander of the marine corps, marks the first birthday of the women's reserve with an all-encompassing.

Col. Ruth Streeter And the Marines Have No Regrets

eyes of Col. Ruth Cheney Streeter. Those are the very words she has been waiting 12 months to hear. She knew that at the start the leather-necks, almost to a man, were from Missouri as far as her organization was concerned. Now the stamp of approval is as emphatic as the skepticism was real, and the director of the reserve is justly proud.

A year ago if this section-loving wife of a lawyer could have had her way, she'd have been ferrying planes overseas. She had learned to fly at 45 and held a civilian pilot's license, and it seemed pretty silly to her that Washington thought 47 too old for the Ferry Command. Her year in the marines has earned that disappointment.

She admits she was startled when the marines commissioned her a major in January of 1943 and set her to bossing the sister group to the WAVES. She had found time from running her home in Morristown, N. J., and bringing up her four children to participate in well-timed and defense work, but this was something else again. She received her second promotion in a year last January and now she far outlasts her three sons in service, two in the navy and one in the army. Only her husband and her daughter are not in uniform.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

SPEDUPHOATS: Speeds of more than 200 miles per hour will be possible for speedboats after the war, Gar Wood, noted boat racer and designer, believes. New and lighter metals, more powerful engines and streamlining will accomplish these remarkable speeds, Wood said. The present record, which he holds, is 125 miles per hour set in 1932 with Miss America.

VITAMINS: Because of mounting demands, preparations of vitamin A have been placed under allocation to insure equitable distribution. The present rate of consumption will soon eat into the reserves.

IRON ORE: What is termed the "greatest known mass of hard iron ore in the world" in Cause peak in Brazil, will soon be yielding iron for American and Soviet factories.

BRIEFS . . . by Baukhage

There are 1,700,000 rural boys and girls 10 to 21 years old who are now members of 4-H clubs. They live in every county in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

The war department has revealed that the army air forces have destroyed 40 per cent of Germany's capacity to produce fighter planes.

Production of prewar models of all-metal domestic ice refrigerators will not be resumed in the near future, the WPB reports, mainly because reversion would involve a long change-over period.

Civilians in the U. S. will have more frozen vegetables during the next five months, as a result of an expected record high production.

Indian BEEF

HAROLD CHANNING WIRE

W.N.U. RELEASE

LEW BURNET has been engaged by TOM ARNOLD, owner of the Cross T, to act as trail boss on the drive from southern Texas to Oklahoma in the spring of 1944. Tom and his son and daughter, STEVE and JOY, are moving to Wyoming. Tom must deliver 3,000 longhorns to the Indian agent by September 1 or lose a profitable contract. Lew has reason to believe that the Indian Supply Co. is trying to delay the Cross T herd. He suspects that Clay, Steve and ED SPLANN are in some way connected with the company, but he does not wish to make charges until he is sure. The drive gets started, but CLAY MANNING, foreman, and ED SPLANN, a new hand, rebel at Lew's orders.

CHAPTER VI

From the point he saw Steve and Clay and Splann gather far behind him. They rode like that for most of the afternoon.

The two white-topped wagons had vanished early northward over a swell of ground. It was almost dark when he saw Owl-Head's plume of smoke. He waved Joe Wheat up to take his place. To Quaternight he said, "I'm going on."

There was something he wanted to look at before the longhorns' hoofs trampled out all sign. His knowledge that Cross T horses had been run up Crazy Woman Creek to these plains had gnawed inside of him, its puzzle only half clear. Now a deep notch in the plain's edge to the east marked the entrance to Crazy Woman. While off on his left was the tank, a natural hollow covering several acres. It still held enough muddy water, he saw, from the winter's rain, and brought himself to a sudden stop next morning.

It was clear enough in his mind that the Indian Supply herd had needed horses and had got them by trading Cross T stock via the New Mexico exchange. The men who had caught him near Crazy Woman were not only rustlers but part of the Indian Supply crew. Yet what still had no answer was Clay Manning's part in that deal.

Approaching camp where the two wagons had stopped beside the tank's rim, he saw the charred embers of other camps near the cook's fire. Owl-Head rose from stirring something in a Dutch oven and jerked a thumb toward them. "What do you make of that?"

He didn't say. No use spreading what he knew. But Moonlight Bailey, driving ahead of the longhorns with his horse herd, had cut that trail from Crazy Woman. He was riding in between the wagons now, a small brown man with a bullfrog voice.

"By Judas, Lew!" he burst out. "I know where our saddle stock went!"

"All right. Keep it to yourself." "Keep it!" Moonlight's round, simple face turned dusty red. "Tom's ribbed me plenty for losin' horses. If I hadn't listened to Joslin, him tellin' me there was no use lookin'—"

"Moonlight," he said, "shut up!" He had seen the canvas of Joy's wagon open. "Now you mind!"

Then he heard her voice behind him. "Lew, come here."

He wheeled his horse around. She was sitting on the blankets of her bed, her hat off and her dark hair falling loose.

"What was Moonlight saying?" "Nothing," he said. "Your wrangler sleeps out in the moon too much. He sees things."

"No. It was about the horses and I've been thinking it wasn't possible for twenty or thirty head to vanish the way they did. What has Moonlight found?"

He didn't want to worry her with mysteries, and yet he didn't want this discovery to get back to Clay Manning either. He said, "That's right, it was about the horses. Moonlight thinks he has the answer. I don't think he has. But let it go for now, will you? Don't talk."

She nodded and smiled a little. "I learned to keep things to myself, Lew, long ago. I've had such a good example from you men."

He grinned, and yet, riding from her, he hated that any doubt and suspicion should begin to trouble her so early on the trail.

Long before Lew felt an uneasiness himself the cattle were smelling something in the air. He had marked six days in his logbook, estimating one hundred miles, when they came that late afternoon to the first stream bed on the plains. Pointing the herd into it, he searched on north for the double mountain landmark and saw only the unbroken horizon hard and sharp against the sky.

There was no warning. One moment all the camp made its picture clear before his eyes. Tom Arnold stood with his tin cup waiting for his coffee. Joy and Steve were sitting on the tongue of her wagon in one of their rare times together. Three dim-shaped riders were coming in for their meal.

The next instant an unseen hand struck the campfire, scattering its red coals outward for a hundred feet. The wagon canvases belled and slapped the bows like pistol shots. The stars were suddenly gone, and the wind's full force with its choking dust was something that no man had to lean into strongly.

A man needed his yelled order. Men were already running in the black dark toward their horses. Yet

no sound broke the almost silent thrust of the wind. Here on the flat plain, with nothing to strike against, it made only a thin hiss through the short grass. Then the ragged black pool was ahead of him. He could see the way they had swung north now in the direction the wind was blowing and knew they were held from a run so far because no leader had started it off.

Their tight fear had to be broken. He understood the slim chance a man would have caught in that mass if it jumped suddenly into its blind stampede. But there was no other way; he rode directly in among the hard, unyielding bodies.

The familiarity of a horseman, his voice lifted in a wordless croan, seemed to ease their dumb brains. They began to move aside. They brought their heads toward him. He crowded on, weaving toward the middle.

There were other riders around him in the dusty dark. Ghost shapes appeared higher than the ridgepole backs and vanished.

Until after midnight he had a certain hope. These storms came up with the suddenness of a hurricane, then often ended in a short time as abruptly as they had come. But at midnight the wind was still rising with a harder thrust. It would not end soon. By three it was blowing with a strength that made his horse uneasy. He knew the time by the strange unearthly light beginning to show a little of the herd



"Breakfast, Lew? Got some beans with plenty of sand."

around him. Their low-moaning complaint had gone on these hours. They began to move now in a solid way, too tired to stand any longer, too restless to lie down.

Riding back in the first dusty brown light of dawn, he saw that Moonlight Bailey had already met one danger by leading four mares on picket ropes. Most of the horses were crowding up close. They would not desert their ladies. Jim Hope was riding behind them to catch any drift.

From the campfire, loading up his kegs for an early start, Owl-Head yelled, "Breakfast, Lew! Got some beans with plenty of sand!"

He shook his head and rode on to where Joy's mules were harnessed. She was up on the wagon seat with a handkerchief across her nose and mouth, ready to drive. He stepped down and tied the mules' halter ropes to the tail gate of the chuck wagon. He had to shout above the snapping rattle of canvas. "Get inside!"

Only the blinking squint of her eyes showed over the handkerchief edge. Her voice reached him stubbornly. "This is my job!"

He moved back to her, head down and leaning against the wind. "You want to go blind?" Sliding his arms under her legs and behind her back, he carried her to the rear end and put her in on the wagon bed. He grinned, feeling the dust dry in his mouth. "You won't miss anything. Don't stick your head out today."

She pulled the handkerchief down, squinting up at his red-rimmed, burning eyes. "Have you had any sleep at all?"

"Sure," he said, "plenty." It was like trying to talk inside of a drum. Passing the cook again, he shouted, "Keep up close!" A man could lose himself in this another if he ever missed the longhorns' trail.

In the short time since dawn the herd had drifted more than a mile. He followed their trampled swath and came to the ragged edge of drags. Only a few of their bony rumps showed; all others on either side and up toward the lead were blotted out by the brown dust.

It was not a matter of driving the herd now, but of holding it back. They came on in a solid front, their great horns crowding from side to side as they crowded and spread

out for a distance that he could neither see nor guess. And above the rumble and clack of their walk the open-mouthed groaning rose to a sharper key that turned a man's nerves raw.

He could no longer locate his rock piles; only a slim chance would let him blunder onto the double butte. Each hour he could feel himself being pressed farther into the desert of the Staked Plain, beyond the last water that he knew.

Dragging off his saddle and throwing it onto the fresh horse that Jim Hope brought, he spied two masked figures butting into the wind. Moving toward them, he recognized Clay Manning and Tom Arnold. They were shouting together.

He wanted a moment's talk, somehow the reassurance of other men's words. Berding beside them he yelled, "We've sure hit a bad one!"

It was Clay next to him. His head turned. The violence of his answer bled the handkerchief from his mouth. "A hell of a time to think of this! How you going to get us out of this?"

Tight nerves snapped. "Fly out! You got a better way?" "Did have," Clay flung back. "It was a fool move at the start!" "Lew!" Tom Arnold thrust himself in front of them. He looked shrunken and dried out. "You got any idea where we are?"

He couldn't have; they knew that. He shook his head and started to say, "All we can do—" A lash of the old man's temper cut him off.

"Then, by God, I'm damned if I know what you're here for! This was no way to come!" He had no answer; you didn't fight Tom Arnold's temper. It would cool. And he understood the bitterness of what the man could lose. But at the same time he saw the quick vengeance in Clay Manning's blood-shot eyes. He had got in his word with Tom.

There was a horse bolting toward them through the dust. He didn't see for an instant that it was running loose, its head up high searching for the herd, and that a man was hunched over, clinging to the saddle horn with both hands. He grabbed its bridle. The sudden stop flung the rider down on his arms. He pulled the handkerchief off. It was Steve. Both of his eyes were glued shut, the swollen red lids puffed out of their sockets.

Struggling in the wind he brought the slack body up against him. "Steve!" He yelled. "It's all right, boy. Try to walk." Close to his side, Tom Arnold shouted, "Get him to the girl's wagon!" and reached out to help.

"Don't worry," he said to Joy. "Bathe his eyes and let him rest. He'll be all right." He swung from her and fought back to his horse. But her look went with him, turning him cold with what it showed. "This was what it meant to be a trail boss. Whatever happened he would get a little credit—and all the blame."

Steve, he knew, was only the beginning. By nightfall he had led others one by one back to the wagons. For a short time all the dusty air around him had turned to gold. It was blood red now in the sunset as he crossed the front of the herd, counting his men.

Five were left spaced at far-apart intervals; himself, three older hands, Quaternight, Joe Wheat and Ash Brownstone and Charley Storms. As he passed each one he warned them. "Don't try to stick it too long."

Sheer fatigue had slackened the pace. It was again a slow walk but as relentless as a powerful machine. Thirst was what drove these animals now, a mad fever that would keep them going until they found water or dropped dead. Their hoarse and frenzied bawling was swept forward around him in waves that rose and fell and sometimes burst into almost human screams.

If he hadn't known this same experience once before he would not believe that men or beasts could hold through another hour. You reached an absolute limit, and then what kept you going he didn't know. Yet his awareness of being dead tired had passed; a dull, slack feeling had come over his body. It was as if he had no weight. He locked both hands on the saddle horn and let his head nod.

Then something wakened him that was like a cold damp rag wiped across his face. It jerked him up right. There was a faint grayness beyond his swollen lids. He was suddenly aware of a strange quiet. Then he saw the cattle, a thin line that trailed behind him, showing their muzzles through wet grass.

A drop of water splashed from his halberd; he was riding in a misty rain with only a part of the herd that somewhere had split up. There was no wind. He drew his gun, firing it into the air, but had no answer.

Dawn had never made him feel more grateful as he sat waiting while the gray light turned to silver and a little morning breeze sprang up, pushing back the mist. The longhorns were spent. They had halted to stand with drooping heads, soaking the wetness into their hides. The mist rose and became a thick layer, and then a golden sunset spread beneath it across the lava plain.

(TO BE CONTINUED)



THE POLITICAL TREND

This department is not afraid of a Fascist government in America. It's afraid of a Cronist regime. Signs indicate a lowering danger.

Down in Louisiana, the next governor, unless all signs fail, will be a fellow who has leaped into fame as a crooner, guitar player and radio entertainer. He is also a Hollywood cowboy actor, which helps when the mob makes an appraisal of the qualities of statesmanship in this gooney era.

Jimmy Davis who goes around with his guitar singing "You Are My Sunshine," "It Makes No Difference Now," "Nobody's Darling" and a fine selection of corny numbers has won the primary and is as good as elected.

This is an age of screwball tastes and if the G.O.P. wants to lick Roosevelt it had better run Sinatra and Crosby.

Public leadership cannot quickly be established in America without a good list of ballads, some musical instrument and a milk.

In Lincoln's day it was "From log cabin to White House." Today it's "From 'Pistol Packin' Mommer' to Any Office Within the Gift of the People!"

What a candidate used to do with oratory and a statement of beliefs he now does with "Milkman, Keep Those Bottles Quiet" and "All or Nothing at All."

Both Wendell Willkie and Tom Dewey are making a fatal political mistake in not proclaiming their candidacy through a rendition of: "Mairzy doats and dozy doats And little lamby dively."

Years ago in order to get the votes for public office in this country a man had to have solid opinions, some experience in public office, a platform and an opinion on the tariff. Now all that is necessary is a Crossley rating.

Down in Texas the question right now is not "What experience has he ever had in government?" but "How many records did he make in the last year?"

You can fool all the people some of the time and some people all the time; and, with a good radio personality and a fair musical routine, you can fool all the people all the time.

THE BEACH BELOW ROME

Anzio! Just another coastal town! A fair sort of vacation place, sleepy now in winter drabness. A no-account spot in a tough war. That's what you thought, Joe. Maybe, crashing through it, you called it a bum town. Well, you were right in a way. Two great bums lived there once. Couple of guys named Nero and Caligula!

Nero and Caligula, two of the great bums of history. Burns with color and class, but murderers and torturers and tyrants to a far-the-well. They were born around Anzio. The name of the town was changed on 'em to get rid of the bad taste. Maybe, on a pass from hell, their spirits stood there in the shadows along the beaches when the Yanks landed. They were big, noisy brutal guys, Joe, but craven against odds. They must have been pretty scared when they saw you Yanks leaping ashore from landing craft.

Nice guys, Nero and Caligula! They poisoned their wives and kiddies, when they couldn't devise something rougher. They were close to all-time tyrants, but in points they didn't rate up with certain top Nazis. The people caught up with them in time and they got the works.

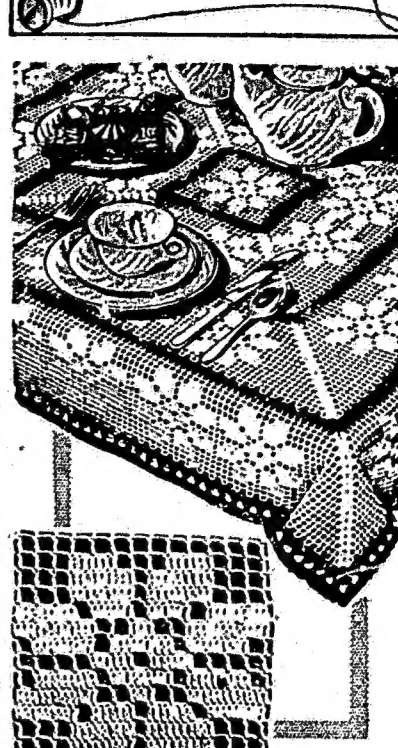
If alive today they would have strung along with Adolf and Benito and Hermann. They were the type. They liked to torture the weak and to kick the helpless around.

Once Caligula held a public banquet in the middle of a bridge for the fun of seeing it collapse, drowning the merry-makers. Hitler would have liked that. Caligula did crazy things. He once appointed his horse consul.

You know all about Nero, Joe. He was the swastika type. Sweet boy, Nero! He poisoned his own mother for what you would call "a dame." He killed his own wife.

A star, Nova Pictoris, has just blown up. Looking down on earth, a star's indignation must be pretty close to the exploding point most of the time these days.

Some suggestions were recently made to our almanac that they cut out the highly suggestive names painted on some bombers. They were too rough. We have just heard of one result. One of the bombers that has been doing terrific battling over Germany bears the name "Wabbit Twacks."



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Mark Twain on Uses to Which Books May Be Put

A young girl once asked Mark Twain if he liked books for gifts. "Well, that depends," he said. "If a book has a leather cover it is really valuable as a razor strop. If it is a brief, concise work, such as the French write, it is useful to put under the short end of a wobbly table. An old-fashioned book with a clasp can't be beat as a missile to hurl at a dog, and a large book like a geography is as good as a piece of tin to nail over a broken pane of glass!"

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We can't make enough Smith Bros. Cough Drops to satisfy everybody, because our output is war-reduced—so please buy only as many as you really need. Through three generations and five wars, Smith Bros. Cough Drops have given soothing relief from coughs due to colds. Still only 5¢.

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SCHOOL DAYS

By DWIG



ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

— and vicinity
Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent
Pamela LaFrance from Norway
was a guest of Lona Keniston Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and children and Mrs. L. J. Andrews were in Norway on business Saturday.

Rev. W. I. Bull conducted the Church Service Sunday afternoon with an attendance of four.

E. C. Lapham and son Warren were in Lewiston Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and son Linwood visited at Mr. and Mrs. Will McAllister's Sunday.

Alta Morrill of Bethel spent the week end with Muriel Lapham.

Edwin Bumpus spent Tuesday night with Donald Lord at Bethel and attended the 7th grade snow-shoe hike to Devil's Kitchen.

Mrs. Lloyd Keniston and son Lloyd, who have been spending several days at E. C. Lapham's, returned to Rumford Thursday.

The Albany school children attended the movie, "My Kingdom for a Cook" after school Thursday.

Miss Pearl Daye of Bethel spent Monday night with Miss Marion Lapham.

Carroll Buck has bought a bicycle from Edwin Bumpus.

FRANKLIN GRANGE

Franklin Grange of Bryant Pond met Saturday evening, March 4, with a good attendance. All officers were present except Pomona.

The office was filled by Mrs. Louie Sweetser. The first and second degrees were conferred on Mrs. Kathleen Cox, Irving Cushman, Samuel Sweetser, J. Francis Howe and Millett Coffin. Tableaux were arranged by Mrs. Flora Cole Mrs. Ella Bowker of Milton Plantation, passed away Saturday morning.

Fred Cole and Mrs. Myrtle Hayes were reported on the sick list. The mystery box went to Chester Bean. Ice cream was on sale after the meeting.

SOUTH BETHEL

Leah Spinney was in Portland Saturday and returned home with Mr. Spinney.

Florence Hewey, Mabel Kirk and Mildred Cummings of Locke Mills were in Rumford Wednesday on business.

Mrs. James Spinney was in Norway Monday.

Little Kenneth Mason has returned to school after being sick for quite a while.

Several from here attended town meeting Monday.

Dan Hinkley has purchased some property at the top of the hill from Mr. Chadbourne.

Horace Tibbets, Florence Hewey and niece, Helen Bumpus, were in Locke Mills Sunday visiting friends.

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LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent
Ten tables of whist were in play at the card party at Mrs. Florence Rand's home Saturday evening.

The prizes for high score were received by Miss Louise Bacon and Calvin Coolidge. Prizes for low score were given to Miss Elsie Dunham and Ernest Mason.

The Community Club will have another card party Saturday evening, March 18, at Mrs. Rand's home.

Twenty-three young people of this community met with Rev. John Foster Friday evening at the home of Carlton Lapham and organized a club which has been named "The Get-Together Club."

This club will meet at the home of one of the members the first Friday of each month, but the next meeting will be the 31st of March.

Officers were chosen as follows: president, Musa Swan; vice-president, Phyllis Tebbets; secretary, Pauline Baker; treasurer, Nellie Lapham. A committee of the following was chosen to arrange a program for the next meeting: Musa Swan, Louise Bacon, Herbert Dunham and Lella Swan.

At the Locke Mills Union Church Sunday evening, Rev. John Foster of Bethel delivered the sermon. Church services next Sunday will follow the Sunday School which will be at 10:00 instead of 11:30.

Mrs. Abbie Norton, pastor of Bethel, who has been absent for several weeks, will return next Sunday.

A dinner was served at the town hall Monday. The proceeds, which was \$19, was given to the Red Cross.

Miss Jean Tirrell was at her home from Auburn over the week end.

Charles Smith has returned from the C. M. G. Hospital, where he has been for the past month. He received an injury to his eye while working at the mill which resulted in the loss of the sight.

R. D. Littlefield was at Flagstaff a few days last week.

Rodney Jordan of Bryant Pond was a recent guest of his mother, Mrs. Myra Jordan.

Mrs. Florence Ring was at Lewiston Saturday.

Miss Florence Howe of Rumford was at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Florence Rand for the week end.

Mrs. Vera Cross was at home from her work at West Bethel for the week end.

Miss Bessie Mason of South Portland is at home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell of Auburn are visiting relatives in this vicinity. Ma Newell enters the U. S. Navy soon.

Harry Norton, who has employment at the South Portland, was in town for the week end.

Miss Madelyn Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Baker were at Lewiston Saturday.

Mrs. K. V. Saunders, daughter Nancy, and Miss Theresa Coolidge were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Saunders at Skillingston.

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Mrs. Helen Baker was a recent visitor in Berlin, N. H.

Mrs. Florence Holder visited friends in Gorham, N. H., Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Garey of Poland Springs attended the funeral services of Mrs. G. E. Leighton Monday.

Mrs. Ruby Hunter of Shelburne, N. H., was a visitor in town last week.

A. J. Blake of Island Pond, Vt., was a recent visitor in town.

Mrs. Warren Noyes, who has been a patient at the Clinic Hospital, Berlin, N. H., for several days, has returned to the home of her sister, Mrs. Russell Cole, for a few days before leaving for her home in West Burke, Vt.

Mrs. Alice Scofield of Portland was a recent visitor in town.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fraser of Portsmouth was called here last week by the death of her grandmother, Mrs. George Leighton.

Mrs. Josephine Cole has returned to her home in Gray.

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UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent
Cpl. Howard Douglass of Camp Westover, Mass., accompanied by Mrs. Elsie Douglass and daughter Anne of Natick, Mass., and daughter Mary Ellen of East Bethel, spent his short furlough with his mother, Mrs. Lettie Douglass, one day last week.

Mrs. Doris Fraser is helping Mrs. Fred Bennett of Magalloway during illness in their family.

Miss Phyllis Williamson of So. Portland spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Esther Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Durkee took Sunday dinner with her mother, Mrs. Doris Fraser.

There was a good attendance at the town meeting dinner. The proceeds of \$17.10 goes to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Rose Reed of Errol, N. H., was the guest of Mrs. Claude Collins a few days last week.

HEBERT-NEWELL

Mrs. Dorothy Newell announces the marriage of her daughter, Margaret, of West Peru to Alfred A. Hebert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Hebert of Long Pond, Maine. The wedding took place Feb. 25 in Rumford at the home of Rev. A. A. Callaghan. The guests present were the bride's mother, Mrs. Dorothy Newell, and the groom's sister, Miss Theresa Hebert of Long Pond, Maine. Mrs. Hebert will reside at West Peru and Mr. Hebert has gone to Indiana, soon to be sent overseas.

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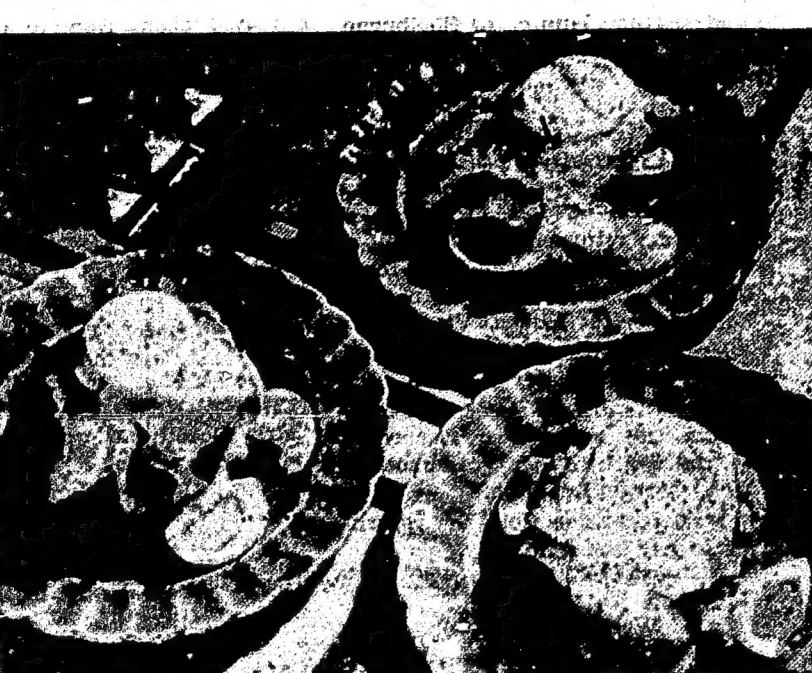
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Vegetables will give you minerals and vitamins aplenty. Some of them will even supply some quantities of protein, but fortify these foods with complete proteins from milk, cheese and eggs. There's not a recipe in today's column that will not satisfy your desire for color and zest.

An old favorite, bean roast, is especially good at this time of year. It contains no meat, but tastes as though it certainly had some!

Cheese and Bean Roast. (Serves 5)

- 1 No. 2 can kidney beans
- 1/2 pound American cheese
- 1 onion, chopped fine
- 1 tablespoon butter or substitute
- 1 cup bread crumbs

Salt and pepper to taste

2 eggs, well beaten

Drain the beans and put them with the cheese through the food chopper. Cook the onion in butter. Combine mixtures, add seasonings and eggs. Pack into a buttered loaf tin and cover with buttered bread crumbs. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) about 30 to 35 minutes or until browned. Serve with tomato sauce.

Sauce Used:

Eggs are dipping down in price and can be used generously as in the following recipe:

Creamed Potatoes and Eggs. (Serves 6)

- 3 cups diced, cooked potatoes (left-over potatoes may be used)
- 6 hard-cooked eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons butter or substitute
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon salt

Make a white sauce by melting butter, adding flour, and mixing in milk. Cook until smooth and thickened. Add salt, potatoes and eggs cut in slices. Let heat thoroughly. One-half cup of grated American cheese may be added for topping before serving, if desired.

Sauce Used:

Asparagus and Cauliflower With Rarebit Sauce.

(Serves 6)

- 2 tablespoons butter or substitute
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup grated American cheese
- 1 cup grated Worcestershire sauce
- 2 bunches cooked asparagus
- 1 head of cooked cauliflower

Lynn Says

Food Supplies: Sweet potato supplies this year will be good, thus bringing them within the range of every family in the country.

Potato supplies will depend on the May crop. Dried beans, peas, soy flour and grits, and peanut butter prospects are good. Sugar supplies will be about the same as last year, but more will be given for home-canning.

Fat supplies only of these foods are indicated: vegetables, cheese, cream, butter, ice cream, beef, honey, jams, jellies, rice, salad oils, salad dressings, shortenings, tea, cocoa and marjoram.

These foods will be scarce on the shelves until April, bananas, canned fruits, lentils, fresh fish, white cornmeal, cranberry, cranberry sauce, pineapple, celery seed, cinnamon, thyme, black pepper.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus

Creamed Eggs on Biscuit

Green Beans

Wilted Lettuce Salad

Enriched Bread

Cherry Pie

Beverage

Make white sauce of butter, flour and milk. Add cheese, seasonings and stir until melted. Pour over asparagus and cauliflower arranged on platter. Garnish with pimiento strips and parsley.

Eggs make splendid, nourishing food for lenten meals. Treat them gently—not too fast cooking and the egg will reward you well in texture and palatability.

Spanish Eggs. (Serves 4)

- 2 1/2 cups tomatoes
- 1/2 green pepper, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 cup grated American cheese

Cook tomatoes, pepper, onion, celery, sugar and seasonings together for 10 minutes. Remove bay leaf, add crumbs and place in casserole. Break eggs on top, sprinkle with salt and pepper and cover with grated cheese. Bake in a slow oven (325 degrees) until eggs are firm and cheese has melted, 15 to 20 minutes. Mixture may also be placed in individual baking dishes.

Sauce Used:

Eggs With Spanish Rice.

(Serves 6)

- 1 cup uncooked rice
- 2 1/2 cups cooked tomatoes
- 1/2 small onion, sliced
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 cloves
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 6 eggs
- 2 tablespoons grated cheese
- 1/2 cup buttered bread crumbs

Cook rice in boiling, salted water until tender. Drain and rinse with hot water. Simmer tomatoes, onions, salt, bay leaf and cloves for 10 minutes. Strain. Blend butter with flour in saucepan and add strained tomatoes, stirring constantly. Cook until thickened. Arrange layer of rice in greased casserole and make six depressions in rice. Break eggs into each depression, then pour tomato mixture over all. Sprinkle with cheese and crumbs and bake in a moderate oven until eggs are firm.

Sauce Used:

Egg Shortcake.

(Serves 6)

- 6 hard-cooked eggs
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1 teaspoon minced onion
- Biscuit dough (fined 2 cups flour)

Melt butter, blend in flour. Add cold milk and stir constantly, cooking until thickened. Add salt and pepper, five coarsely chopped eggs, onion and parsley. Heat thoroughly over hot water.

Prepare biscuit dough and roll 1/4 inch thick. Cut into 12 biscuits and bake these in a very hot oven until browned.

Arrange biscuits, one topping the other with a spoonful of creamed egg between them. Top with more creamed eggs and garnish with a slice of egg.

Are you looking for salad ideas?

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STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE

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SINCE his return from his recent overseas trip Joe E. Brown has been the talk of New York—being modest, he's told the people fortunate enough to hear him, things that he should say to the entire United States. He has traveled more than 100,000 miles, entertained more than two million men, on all fronts. The man is terrific; it's no wonder that a psychiatrist who followed him through hospitals in the South Pacific reported a 71 per cent improvement in the patients' condition. He entertained men everywhere—in the front lines, on ships, in canteens.



JOE E. BROWN

His new radio show, on the Blue network, is a quiz show; too bad he's not doing an additional one, so that the public could hear what he told newspaper people.

The "vicious circle" that's supposed to be show business isn't so vicious for Xavier Cugat, who became a movie highlight after repeatedly starring on the bandstand of the New York Paramount theater. Now that he has a handsome contract with Metro, Cugat has been rewarded with a ten weeks' personal appearance contract, at \$12,500 per week—at the Paramount theater, where he started to fame!

Lauritz Melchior, Metropolitan tenor who scored such a hit clowning with Fred Allen on the air, has signed for his first motion picture—It's Metro's "Thrill of Romance," featuring Esther Williams, the swimmer. He'll play an opera singer.

"All the other fellows razed this chap," said the soldier who'd just come out of Halloran hospital. "He sat down on the side of my bed and played cards with me and talked, and was swell. I didn't know who he was then. Found out later he was Frank Sinatra."

We won't see Rosalind Russell in "Sister Kenny," after all that preparation, because it's been indefinitely postponed. But it's going to be too bad if she's assigned to "Roughly Speaking" instead, because that's a perfect story for Betty Davis.

James Cagney has started his personal appearance tour of U. S. army and navy bases in the European war theater; expects to remain abroad for three months. He rehearsed six weeks with a dance coach before leaving Hollywood, on a cavalcade of American dancing from George Formosa to Fred Astaire.

Shopping for lingerie with his wife, Geoffrey Barnes, he of the ominous voice on "The Mystery Theater," yielded to the temptation to use his radio voice on the elevator operator. Barnes says he never had an easier time getting out.

Next time you hear Cary Grant in a radio play, picture him acting out all the dialogue as if he were before the camera. When he's out of a scene he walks into the wings, mingles with the supporting players, and contributes to the off-stage sound effects.

After finishing the hilarious "The Miracle of Morgan's Creek" Preston Sturges left Paramount; now he's gone into partnership with Howard Hughes, who'll be his financial backer. That combination should produce some startling pictures!

Dimitri Shostakovich's Eighth Symphony will be given its first performance in the Western hemisphere over the CBS network on Sunday, April 2, by the New York Philharmonic symphony. Bill Downs brought the symphony back from Moscow.

ODDS AND ENDS—That Flying Fortress named for "We, the People" is still blasting away at the Germans... A mile Bob Griffin was recovering from a plane crash on CBS' "Mary Martin" he was down with jungle fever in "Palant Lady"... The Silver Theater was moved from Hollywood to New York, to present well-known stage players in its Sunday dramas... One-third of the principal players in "The Flame" will be new to the screen: Producer Frank Ross believes the story demands fresh faces... Jack Benny has checked off the Warner Bros. list after completing his starring role in "The Horn Blows at Midnight."

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The Cockney, startled, asked of his friend: "What is that?"

"Why, it's an owl," answered the American casually.

"Oh, it's an owl, then, is it?" said the Cockney, disdainfully. "So, it's an owl."

"Yes," replied the American, "it's an owl."

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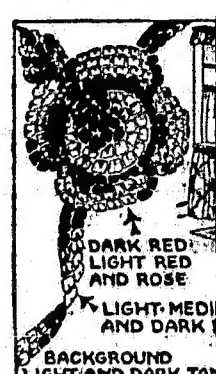
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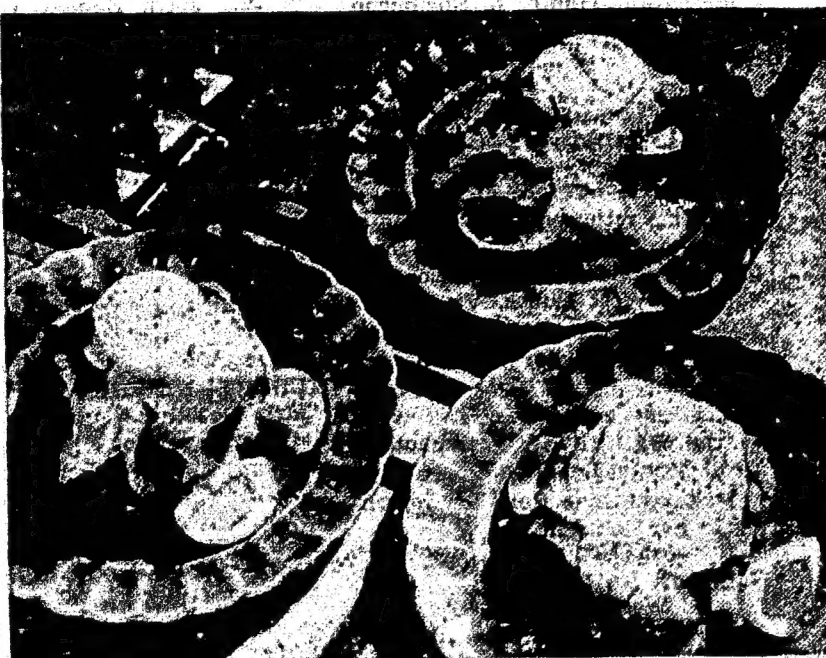
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Cheese and Bean Roast. (Serves 6)

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- 1/2 pound American cheese
- 1 onion, chopped fine
- 1 tablespoon butter or substitute
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 eggs, well beaten

Drain the beans and put them with the cheese through the food chopper. Cook the onion in butter. Combine mixtures, add seasonings and eggs. Pack into a buttered loaf tin and cover with buttered bread crumbs. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees) about 30 to 35 minutes or until browned. Serve with tomato sauce.

Save Used Fat!

Eggs are dipping down in price and can be used generously as in the following recipe:

Creamed Potatoes and Eggs. (Serves 6)

- 3 cups diced, cooked potatoes (left-over potatoes may be used)
- 6 hard-cooked eggs
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 2 tablespoons butter or substitute
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon salt

Make a white sauce by melting butter, adding flour, and mixing in milk. Cook until smooth and thickened. Add salt, potatoes and eggs cut in slices. Let heat thoroughly. One-half cup of grated American cheese may be added for topping before serving, if desired.

Save Used Fat!

Asparagus and Cauliflower With Rarebit Sauce. (Serves 6)

- 2 tablespoons butter or substitute
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup milk
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup grated American cheese
- 1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce
- Cayenne
- 2 bunches cooked asparagus
- 1 head of cooked cauliflower

Lynn Says

Food Supplies: Sweet potato supplies this year will be good, thus bringing them within the range of every family in the country.

Potato supplies will depend on the May crop. Dried beans, peas, soy flour and grits, and peanut butter prospects are good. Sugar supplies will be about the same as last year, but more will be given for home-canning.

Fair supplies only of these foods are indicated: vegetables, cheese, cream, butter, ice cream, beef, honey, jams, jellies, rice, salad oils, salad dressings, shortening, tea, cocoa and marjoram.

These foods will be scarce on the market until April. Bananas, canned fruits, lentils, fresh fish, white cornmeal, corn syrup, kidney beans, coconut, pineapple, celery seed, cinnamon, thyme, black pepper.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus

- Creamed Eggs on Biscuit
- Green Beans
- Wilted Lettuce Salad
- Enriched Bread
- Cherry Pie
- Beverage

Make white sauce of butter, flour and milk. Add cheese, seasonings and stir until melted. Pour over asparagus and cauliflower arranged on platter. Garnish with pimiento strips and parsley.

Eggs make splendid, nourishing food for lenten meals. Treat them gently—not too fast cooking and the egg will reward you well in texture and palatability.

Spanish Eggs. (Serves 4)

- 2 1/2 cups tomatoes
- 3/4 green pepper, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 cup grated American cheese

Cook tomatoes, pepper, onion, celery, sugar and seasonings together for 10 minutes. Remove bay leaf, add crumbs and place in casserole. Break eggs on top, sprinkle with salt and pepper and cover with grated cheese. Bake in a slow oven (325 degrees) until eggs are firm and cheese has melted, 15 to 20 minutes. Mixture may also be placed in individual baking dishes.

Save Used Fat!

Eggs With Spanish Rice. (Serves 6)

- 1 cup uncooked rice
- 2 1/2 cups cooked tomatoes
- 1/4 small onion sliced
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 cloves
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 6 eggs
- 2 tablespoons grated cheese
- 1/2 cup buttered bread crumbs

Cook rice in boiling, salted water until tender. Drain and rinse with hot water. Strain tomatoes, onion, salt, bay leaf and cloves for 10 minutes. Strain. Blend butter with flour in saucepan and add strained tomatoes, stirring constantly. Cook until thickened. Arrange layer of rice in greased casserole and make six depressions in rice. Break eggs into each depression, then pour tomato mixture over all. Sprinkle with cheese and crumbs and bake in a moderate oven until eggs are firm.

Save Used Fat!

Egg Shortcake. (Serves 6)

- 6 hard-cooked eggs
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 2 cups milk
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 1 teaspoon minced onion
- Biscuit dough (using 2 cups flour)

Melt butter, blend in flour. Add cold milk and stir constantly, cooking until thickened. Add salt and pepper, five coarsely chopped eggs, onion and parsley. Heat thoroughly over hot water.

Prepare biscuit dough and roll 1/4 inch thick. Cut into 12 biscuits and bake these in a very hot oven until browned.

Arrange biscuits, one topping the other with a spoonful of creamed egg between them. Top with more creamed eggs and garnish with a slice of egg.

Are you looking for salad ideas? Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Miss Lynn Chambers at Western Newspaper Union, 210 South Dearborn Street, Chicago 6, Illinois.

Star Dust

By VIRGINIA VALE
Released by Western Newspaper Union.

SINCE his return from his recent overseas trip Joe E. Brown has been the talk of New York—being modest, he's told the people fortunate enough to hear him, things that he should say to the entire United States. He has traveled more than 100,000 miles, entertained more than two million men, on all fronts. The man is terrific; it's no wonder that a psychiatrist who followed him through hospitals in the South Pacific reported a 71 per cent improvement in the patients' condition. He entertained men everywhere—in the front lines, on ships, in canteens.



JOE E. BROWN

His new radio show, on the Blue network, is a quiz show; too bad he's not doing an additional one, so that the public could hear what he told newspaper people.

The "vicious circle" that's supposed to be show business isn't so vicious for Xavier Cugat, who became a movie highlight after repeatedly starring on the bandstand of the New York Paramount theater. Now that he has a handsome contract with Metro, Cugat has been rewarded with a ten weeks' personal appearance contract, at \$12,500 per week—at the Paramount theater, where he started to fame!

Lauritz Melchior, Metropolitan tenor who scored such a hit clowning with Fred Allen on the air, has signed for his first motion picture—It's Metro's "Thrill of Romance," featuring Esther Williams, the swimmer. He'll play an opera singer.

"All the other fellows razed this chump," said the soldier who'd just come out of Halloran hospital. "He sat down on the side of my bed and played cards with me and talked, and was swell. I didn't know who he was then. Found out later he was Frank Sinatra."

We won't see Rosalind Russell in "Sister Kenny," after all that preparation, because it's been indefinitely postponed. But it's going to be too bad if she's assigned to "Roughly Speaking" instead, because that's a perfect story for Bette Davis.

James Cagney has started his personal appearance tour of U. S. army and navy bases in the European war theater; expects to remain abroad for three months. He rehearsed six weeks with a dance coach before leaving Hollywood, on a cavalcade of American dancing from George Primrose to Fred Astaire.

Shopping for lingerie with his wife, Geoffrey Barnes, he of the ominous voice on "The Mystery Theater," yielded to the temptation to use his radio voice on the elevator operator. Barnes says he never had an easier time getting out.

Next time you hear Cary Grant in a radio play, picture him acting out all the dialogue as if he were before the camera. When he's out of a scene he walks into the wings, mingles with the supporting players, and contributes to the off-stage sound effects.

After finishing the hilarious "The Miracle of Morgan's Creek" Preston Sturges left Paramount; now he's gone into partnership with Howard Hughes, who'll be his financial backer. That combination should produce some startling pictures!

Dimitri Shostakovich's Eighth Symphony will be given its first performance in the Western hemisphere over the CBS network on Sunday, April 2, by the New York Philharmonic symphony. Bill Downs brought the symphony back from Moscow.

ODDS AND ENDS—That Flying Fortress named for "We, the People" is still blasting away at the Germans. While Bob Griggs was recovering from a plane crash on CBS's "Mary Martin" he was down with jungle fever in "Salut Lady." "The Silver Theatre" now moves from Hollywood to New York to present well-known stage plays in its Sunday dramas. One-third of the principal players in "The Babe" will be new to the screen. Producer Frank Ross believes the story develops fresh interest. Jack Benny has checked off the Warner Bros. lot, after completion of his starring role in "The Horn Blows at Midnight."

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Cockney and His Friend Were Agreed Upon 'Owl'

A Cockney and his American friend were walking down the street of an American town one night. An owl set up his ancient "W-h-o, w-h-o, w-h-o."

The Cockney, startled, asked of his friend: "What is that?"

"Why, it's an owl," answered the American casually.

"Oh, it's an owl, then, is it?" said the Cockney, disdainfully.

"So, it's an owl," replied the American.

"Yes, it's an owl," replied the American.

"Well, I growled the impatient Cockney, 'I know it's an owl full well. But who the devil is it howling?'

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